

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/834,017

Applicant(s)
Cox Et Al

Examiner
Umakant K. Rajguru

Art Unit
1711



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Umakant K. Rajguru (Exmr) (3) _____
(2) Sung I. Oh (Attny) (4) _____

Date of Interview Jan 15, 2003

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: None in particular

Identification of prior art discussed:
Schroeder et al (WO 00/64-228) used in office actions

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

According to Attorney Oh, Schroeder does not teach the claimed at least about 50% of wood material. It teaches only 10-40% with the result that the dampening characteristics of the product are not as expected. He is prepared to submit a declaration in support. Examiner Rajguru suggested to him if some data might be included in that declaration. Attorney mentioned that it would be expensive as well as time-consuming, though not impossible, to collect such data. Examiner observed that none of instant claims encompasses limitations like dampening or any other properties.

Attorney will submit a response to the final rejection amending claims with a view to obviate the rejection/s set forth in earlier office action/s.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required